

VETERINARY MEDICINE BOARD[811]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rule making related to prohibition of licensing sanctions for student loan default or delinquency and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Board of Veterinary Medicine hereby proposes to amend Chapter 5, “Public Records and Fair Information Practices,” Chapter 6, “Application for Veterinary Licensure,” and Chapter 10, “Discipline,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 169.5.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code chapter 169.

Purpose and Summary

This proposed rule making will prohibit the suspension or revocation of a license issued by the Board to a person who is in default or is delinquent on repayment or a service obligation under federal or state postsecondary educational loans or public or private services-conditional postsecondary tuition assistance solely on the basis of such default or delinquency.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Board for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any.

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Board no later than 4:30 p.m. on April 15, 2020. Comments should be directed to:

Maison Bleam
Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
Wallace State Office Building
502 East 9th Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Email: maison.bleam@iowaagriculture.gov

Public Hearing

A public hearing at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

April 15, 2020
8 to 9 a.m.

Second Floor Boardroom
Wallace State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at the public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rule making.

Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Board and advise of specific needs.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making actions are proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind and reserve rule **811—5.18(17A,22,169,261)**.

ITEM 2. Rescind and reserve rule **811—6.8(169,261)**.

ITEM 3. Amend **811—Chapter 6**, implementation sentence, as follows:

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 17A, and 169, ~~and 261~~.

ITEM 4. Rescind subparagraph **10.6(1)“b”(22)**.

ITEM 5. Renumber subparagraph **10.6(1)“b”(23)** as **10.6(1)“b”(22)**.

ITEM 6. Adopt the following new paragraph **10.6(1)“c”**:

c. The board shall not suspend or revoke a license issued by the board to a person who is in default or is delinquent on repayment or a service obligation under federal or state postsecondary educational loans or public or private services-conditional postsecondary tuition assistance solely on the basis of such default or delinquency.